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TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

BIG GERMAN ATTACKS IN THE WEST.

Huge Casualties Inflicted by British and French.

London, May 17.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—After a heavy bombardment on both banks of the Scarpe, the enemy launched a powerful counter-attack in the early morning between Gavrelle and the river. He pressed forward under the destructive fire of our artillery and machine guns. The enemy for a short period, by weight of numbers, forced us back from our forward positions. Our immediate counter-attack regained all the ground, inflicting exceptionally heavy losses and taking a number of prisoners. We progressed on the Hindenburg Line to the north-east of Bullecourt. We repulsed a raid to the south-east of Ypres.

French Capture Hundreds of Prisoners.

London, May 17.

A French communique says that the Germans in the daytime continued their attacks to the north and north-west of Laffaux mill as far as the Soissons-Lyon Railway. They were sanguinarily defeated, despite the strength of their effectives and the violence of their attacks.

We brilliantly counter-attacked at some points where the line was momentarily bent, recovering the whole of the lost ground.

The Germans lost heavily in attempting to arrest our progress by fresh attacks, which were shattered by our curtain of machine-gun fire.

Hundreds of prisoners and numerous German wounded have been captured.

Three German aeroplanes were felled on May 15.

Progress at Bullecourt.

London, May 17.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, in a communique, says:—There was fighting during the night at Bullecourt.

We further progressed through the village and reached the western edge.

Further German Wastage.

London, May 17.

A French communique states:—Fresh enemy attempts to re-take ground we gained in the Laffaux mill region failed. The struggle, which was most lively at certain points, turned everywhere to our advantage, and the enemy suffered heavy losses. We took more prisoners.

Our batteries inflicted heavy losses on three German assaulting detachments which made several fruitless attempts to reach our lines at the Boyere Farm, in the Epine de Chevrigny sector, north-west of Bray en Laonnois.

THE IRISH PROPOSALS.

What the Government Scheme Means.

London, May 17.

There is much interest in the new feature of the Government's Irish proposals, namely the Council of Ireland.

Mr. Lloyd George's letter to Mr. John Redmond states that the two delegations of which the Council will be composed will be numerically equal to the Council summonable on the initiative of any six members of the Council. The Council would be empowered by a majority of votes of each of the delegations to pass Private Bills and legislation affecting both the included and excluded areas; also to recommend to the Crown the extension to the excluded areas, by an Order-in-Council, of any Act of the Irish Parliament; also to agree to the inclusion of the whole of Ireland under the Home Rule Act, subject to the assent of the majority of the voters of the excluded area, whereupon power would be invested in the Crown to extend the Act to all Ireland by an Order-in-Council. The Council may also make recommendations on its own initiative regarding Irish questions, including an amendment of the Home Rule Act. The President of the Council will be elected by agreement by the delegations, or, failing agreement, will be nominated by the Crown.

BRITISH NAVAL CASUALTIES.

London, May 16.

Among the latest naval casualties announced are the following:—

Killed.—Lieut. Arthur E. L. Radd, R.N.R.

Wounded.—Flight Sub-Lieut. Hubert S. Broad, R.N., Edward D. Crundall, R.N.

Missing (believed killed).—Midshipman John Barber, R.N.R.

Missing.—Flight Lieut. Charles J. Moir, R.N.

Accidentally injured.—Flight Sub-Lieut. Arthur E. Hall, R.N.

Official correction. Killed.—Flight Sub-Lieut. Douglas E. Penney, R.N., instead of Probationer Flight Officer Penney, Naval Division.

Died.—Captain Valentine H. S. Jones, Marine Light Infantry

THE RUSSIAN SITUATION.

An Agreement Reached.

London, May 17.

According to Reuter's correspondent, at Petrograd after day-long negotiations, an agreement was reached between the Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates and the Government, under which three Democratic and three Nationalist Socialists will enter the Cabinet.

Generals Alex. F. Dragomiroff, Gouko and Brase off are coming to Petrograd to confer on the military situation.

America's Practical Help.

London, May 17.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Washington, the United States has made its first loan to Russia, of twenty millions sterling, as additional evidence of the strong friendship which exists between the American and Russian peoples.

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BRITISH WAR AIMS.

Lord Robert Cecil on "No Annexation."

London, May 17.

Lord Robert Cecil's speech last night, in the House of Commons, is regarded, both here and in Allied countries, as an important pronouncement regarding British war aims.

The debate arose on Mr. Philip Snowden's motion welcoming the repudiation by the new Russian Government of "all proposals for Imperialistic conquest and aggrandisement," and calling for a similar British declaration. Mr. Snowden contended that the Allied Note of January was "Imperialism and conquest, naked and unashamed."

Lord Robert Cecil, replying, said he had heard much of the phrase "No annexations," which he proceeded to examine point by point. He took, firstly, the case of Arabia. No human being, he declared, would suggest that we should use our influence to place Arabia again under Turkish domination. (Cheers.)

Proceeding, Lord Robert Cecil said:—Again, even the most Imperialist annexation of Armenia would benefit the people who have suffered such crimes as the Turks have perpetrated there. The same argument held good in regard to Syria and Palestine.

Lord Robert Cecil next turned to the German African Colonies, saying we did not, of course, attack those Colonies in order to rescue the natives from misgovernment, but, having rescued them, he asked were we to hand them back? The House warmly cheered Lord Robert when he declared that he would regard with horror the idea of returning the natives to the Government which perpetrated such cruelties. Then what about Poland?

Were they not all agreed that it was desirable to establish an independent Poland? And what about Alsace-Lorraine? Surely it was not suggested that Germany, having taken the two provinces from France, should not restore these Provinces (Cheers).

Then there was the Italian Irredentists. Were the Government going to commit themselves to a proposition that they would no longer restore to Italy provinces populated by Italians? The speaker here turned momentarily to another phrase: "No peace with the Hohenzollerns." He agreed there was a great deal in it and it was very attractive to the ordinary British mind, but he thought it too attractive to be quite prudent as a definition of national policy. The cry of "No indemnity" had also been heard. Should there be no indemnity to Belgium? Then what about Serbia and the Northern Provinces of France? Were we, continued Lord Robert speaking with rising emotion, to rule out indefinitely all reparation for the destruction of peaceful merchantmen by submarines? He declared emphatically that he was not prepared to do that.

IMPERIAL RECONSTRUCTION.

Press Comment on General Smuts' Speech.

London, May 17.

The Daily Telegraph, in an editorial, headed "An Historic Speech" says:—General Smuts' speech is one of the finest and most statesmanlike utterances that the war has produced. If the British nation has not realised fully before, it assuredly will understand now what a noble ornament and a strong pillar of the Empire it possesses in the soldier-statesman who represented the Union at the Imperial War Conference. Hitherto we have thought of him principally as a brilliant soldier, but the future may well reveal that his political services are even more valuable still. This is always a rare and sometimes a dangerous combination of genius, but we know from General Smuts' speeches where his dearest hopes are centred, that he hates war, and that all his ambitions are set upon serving his fellow countrymen, South Africa and the Empire to which he is proud to belong. If we interpret General Smuts' speech aright, we detect therein a note of friendly and earnest caution to those who think the time is ripe for forming a new Constitution of the Empire with a new Imperial Parliament, a new Imperial Treasury, and new Imperial taxes. The idea is noble, imposing and logical, but it is none the less full of perils and quicksands, and, above all, open to the fatal objection that it does not seem to be desired by the responsible spokesmen of the Dominions. It may be taken therefore to indicate that the special War Conference which will be called at the end of the war to consider the general problem of Imperial reconstruction will not favour the idea of a unified Parliament of the Empire. Reconstruction will have to proceed on lines less sensational but far more consonant with the British traditions of gradual evolution. Indeed, it has already begun during the last two weeks in the admission to the Imperial Cabinet of statesmen of the Dominions and representatives of India.

The Daily Telegraph concludes by hoping that General Smuts' outspoken and resonant tribute to the Crown will sharply recall to their senses all those who talk glibly or lightly of what they call Republican sentiment in this country. It says:—"The British Empire is indeed fortunate when a soldier, who fifteen years ago, was its sturdy and dangerous opponent, delivers, within the walls of the British Parliament, an address cordial in friendship and instinct, as are few utterances of our time, with political wisdom and understanding."

U.S. TROOPS FOR FRANCE.

General Petain's Advice.

London, May 17.

The New York Times publishes a message from General Petain urging that American volunteers should be sent to France within three months for training, and to be used later as skeleton organisations for arriving American armies. The message concludes that it is of paramount importance that an American General Commissioner should be immediately appointed to come to France.

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THE ITALIAN OFFENSIVE.

Immediate Objective Attained.

London, May 17.

Reuter's correspondent at Udine says that the Italians' immediate objective, the Tysir Mountain, on the left bank of the Isonzo, was attained by admirable dash, despite the extraordinarily strong Austrian defences, which the Italian artillery entirely destroyed, and also despite the fact that a large number of Austrian troops had been brought there from Galicia.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on an Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE WESTERN BATTLES.

Fighting Favours the British.

London, May 16.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig says: Fighting continued yesterday to our advantage in the western portion of Bullecourt. We took a few prisoners during a small encounter last night, on the right of our position on the Hindenburg line east of the village. Severe fighting is progressing north of the Scarpe.

A Violent Enemy Attack.

London, May 16.

A French communique says: The artillery struggle continued at night time. After a violent bombardment, the enemy in the morning powerfully attacked on a four kilometre front in the Moulin-de-Laffaux district. We maintained our positions despite his repeated efforts. Fighting continues at various points.

Huge Enemy Losses.

London, May 16.

Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters says: Proceeded by heavy cannonading the enemy, fulfilling anticipations, fiercely counter-attacked in great strength against Roex. Grey waves of picked troops swept over from Plouvain and were met by a whirlwind from our artillery, our machine guns and rifles. Although the enemy was mown down like ripe corn, some reached the chemical works and fought hand-to-hand, but our counter-attack promptly restored the position and inflicted terrible punishment. The struggle is continuing. The latest news from Bullecourt is most satisfactory. We have completely regained the positions temporarily lost in yesterday's four counter-attacks. The Germans suffered thereby casualties amounting to four figures.

GREAT ITALIAN OFFENSIVE.

Advance on a Sixty-Miles Front.

London, May 16.

Great interest centres on the Italian offensive. Reuter's correspondent at Udine says the Italians are advancing on a front extending for sixty miles from Tolmino to the sea. The sector from Tolmino to Sarcana is undoubtedly the most difficult front in the war, Tolmino bridgehead, a most formidable fortification, barring the entrance to the valley leading to Ljubljana. Mount Kuk and Mount San Marco, the other Austrian strongholds, are respectively sixteen thousand and four hundred and fifty feet above the points where the Italians are attacking.

Over 3,000 Prisoners.

London, May 16.

A wireless Italian official message says: The vigorous offensive on the Julian front has been resolutely continued. Our infantry established themselves on the steep, wooded heights of the eastern bank of the Isonzo, northward of Gorizia. These had been transformed into a formidable fortified defensive position. One of our left wing columns forced a passage across the river and captured Bombers village. We captured in the centre, the heights north-east of Flasta, stormed the villages of Zamecra and Zagomila and carried the crests of Mount Cucco and Mount Vodice. Our right wing progressed considerably up the steep slopes of Mount Santo and fierce counter-attacks were repulsed. We conquered, eastward of Gorizia, strongly fortified heights northward of Tivoli. Insistent counter-attacks were beaten back. We took prisoner 3,375, of whom ninety-eight were officers. A mountain battery and much war material were captured.

Austrian Report.

London, May 16.

An Austrian official report states that, after three days of intense artillery fire, the Italians attacked at numerous points on a front of twenty-five miles. The battle continues uninterruptedly.

FRENCHMAN'S GALLANT ACT.

Paris, May 16.

The Legion of Honour has been awarded to a machine gunner for holding the enemy in a sap single-handed, repelling a counter-attack and disposing of eight hundred Germans.

THE EAST AFRICAN COMMAND.

London, May 16.

It is officially announced that General Van de Venster has succeeded General Hoskins in command of the British forces in German East Africa, with the temporary rank of Lieutenant General.

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THEATRE ROYAL.

Bandman Company in "High Jinks."

Unspeaking weather notwithstanding, the public showed up in good force to welcome the Bandman Company last night, on its return from the North. The piece was "High Jinks", and we have seen things which we liked better. Indeed it is enormously to the credit of the Bandman artists that they made so much out of so little. The piece, however, at least had a swing to it (two)—including the one on which Miss Addie Leigh gymnastised. Speaking of Miss Leigh reminds us that neither she nor Miss Marjorie Manners found very much scope, though both put excellent work into such parts as they had, Miss Manners scoring special successes in one or two rather taking parts.

The leading role, that of an eccentric American doctor practising in France, fell to Mr. Fred Winn. He was rarely off the stage and he made his part deliciously funny all the way through. Hongkong's old friend, Mr. Compton Oulton, seems to be at home in any part assigned to him, and he certainly contrived to keep the house alive last night with his clever impersonation of a rather impossible old colonel. Mr. A. Louis Cowen is paying only his second visit to the Colony, but he has already made big bids for popularity here, and his handling of the part of an American timber king was most beautifully done. In fact he was quite a show in himself. Mr. Leyland Hodgson, always a useful man, did quite a lot of good work as the young explorer possessed of a drug whose qualities have a pacifying effect on all who come under its influence. Miss Kathleen Doyle, as the vagrant wife, with tastes expensive and expansive, was always amusing; so was Mr. Kellaway as the jealous Spaniard. Other parts were very charmingly taken by Miss Georgina Fisher (A nurse), Miss Grace Rosslyn (Chi Chi the dancer), and Miss Beatrice Rowe (the Spaniard's wife). The piece is repeated to-night and those who want a good laugh should go.

CHUNG LING SOO.

Last Performances To-night.

At the Victoria Theatre to-night, at 7.15 and 9.15, Chung Ling Soo and variety Company will appear for the last time. Owing to the departure of the boat for Shanghai, the management regret that they cannot give the matinee performance on Saturday.

Full houses have been recorded at the Victoria Theatre since the advent of Chung Ling Soo, and patrons are advised to book their seats or come early for the final performances to-night.

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Bandman Opera Co.—"High Jinks," 9.15 p.m.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.

New Hongkong Cinematograph—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

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Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.

New Hongkong Cinematograph—9.15 p.m.

Bandman Opera Co.—"Mr. Manhattan," 9.15 p.m.

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Regiment, for a severe wound in
the arm. The arm was severed in
two places and a section of dis-
eased bone was removed in
Middlesex Hospital. The bone
was "dove-tailed" and has now
completely joined. After three
months Lance Corporal Ballantine
is now able to raise his arm
sufficiently to lift a cup of tea.
The difference in length between
the two arms is 2 inches.A Short Way with the
Conscience Towards.Conscientious Objects from
Princeton paid a Saturday half-
holiday visit to Tavistock. The
old Devon town surprised them
by the way it expressed its feel-
ings; they are not likely to seek
another reception so warm. Some
of the Objects entered a res-
taurant, and a crowd of soldiers,
women, and children quickly
gathered, crying, "Put the kiki
on!" "Join up!" and "Shirkers?"
On the advice of the police, the
Objects were shown the door, and
the women gave them a rough
welcome outside. For nearly two
miles they were escorted home-
wards, all kinds of missiles being
thrown to speed them on their
way. And they lingered not.Tuberculosis Asylums in
Japan.Among the tuberculosis asy-
lums which are to be established
at places specified by the Minister
for Home Affairs, that at Hataru-
gaiko Toyonogori, Osaka, was to
be opened to the public on the 15th
instant. The one for Tokyo will
be ready to receive patients from
the beginning of September next,
while that for Kobe will not be
completed till the end of this
year. The three cities of Kyoto,
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May or June of next year.

Decrepit Deans.

Pain speaking characterised
the address of the Rev. F. H.
Gillingham (the well-known
Essex cricketer) at St. Michael's
Cornhill. Urging the need for
the super-annuation of the clergy,
he said that the Church was full
of decrepit deans, tottering
canons, and infirm incumbents.
Urging that the Church's mes-
sage should place greater em-
phasis on living than dying,
he described how on the
occasion of a Zeppelin raid people
rushed out of their houses, fell on
their knees, and asked a curate to
pray for them. When the Zeppelin
began to fall a mass of flames
they were up on their feet
shouting "Tipperary" and "Rule
Britannia" without a single
thought of God. "We sing like a
mighty army, moves the Church
of God, but God help the army
that moves like the Church of the
present time," said Mr.
Gillingham.The Huns' Misery.
During the Reichstag debate on
the Home Budget, says a Central
News telegram from Amsterdam,
Herr Knert, the Extreme
Socialist deputy, painted a vivid
picture of the misery of the
people. "One need only look at
the men and women leaving the
munition factories and see how
pale they are; many of them
faint during their work-through
hunger. Child mortality has
increased frightfully and con-
sumption claims more victims
every day. We are suffering
from underfeeding, which verges
on famine." Herr Knert said
he would be proud to know that
Germany was showing the politi-
cal progress now being made in
Russia. The Kaiser and the
Chancellor bore the guilt for the
death and misfortunes of millions
of people. Those who were in
high places would not always be
protected.If you have lost your appetite
one of the big variety of
dainty dishes at the ALEXAN-
DRA CAFE is sure to tempt
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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 18, 1917.

GENERAL SMUTS AND THE EMPIRE.

By his recent speeches, General Smuts has shown himself to be something more than a great soldier. He has revealed himself as a statesman of the virile and essentially practical type—one who takes long views of the Empire's possibilities, and one who has shown that he is prepared to do his part in the work of welding together into a solid whole the diverse elements owing allegiance to our beloved King. It is a happy augury for the future of the great British commonwealth that, at the moment of its greatest test, it can call to its councils a man of this order, and the fact is all the more significant from the circumstance that not many years ago General Smuts was fighting against us on the field of battle. To-day, however, he is with us heart and soul in the grim struggle against a double-dealing foe, to whom the transformation must come as something in the nature of a mysterious and awe-inspiring revelation. The cause of an Empire which can draw to its side its erstwhile enemies must spring from a deep-seated source of justice and be destined to lead to final triumph.

In all his utterances, General Smuts brings to the subject in hand a freshness of viewpoint and a directness of speech which are characteristic of the man. We can well understand him saying, as he did at the Parliamentary banquet given in his honour, that diplomatic finesse is not understood by the Dominions. He is all for outspokenness, and nothing for mysteries. Thus, when he talks of the future re-adjustment of the Empire, and of constitutional reform between its component parts, he tackles the problem as a practically-minded man would, admitting the dangers of risky experimenting, but declining to be bound by precedent or by tradition. In his latest dissertation on this subject, General Smuts sees the providential aspect of the present war from the fact that it has given us an opportunity of dealing with it on large lines—not piecemeal—which would probably never have otherwise presented itself. To those who profess to see no difference between the British and the German Empires we would commend his words that we are not an Empire in the enemy's sense, but "a system of nations, almost sovereign, almost independent—rather a commonwealth than an Empire." That is a fundamental difference, and we know how nobly the governed of all races and colour within our far-flung dominions have testified to the beneficence of the government under which they have lived in safe protection. But the future task of reorganisation is rendered rather more difficult than easy from this fact. The British nations cannot be cast into a common mould, losing their individuality through being patterned after the same type—we have to allow for the diversity of the peoples, their distinct outlook and their peculiar aspirations. Standardisation may be all right when applied to the construction of ships; it can never work satisfactorily when enforced in the building up of a great commonwealth.

In the present times, when we hear so much of the rise of democracy and of the decline of absolutism, it is only natural that General Smuts should refer to the spread of republicanism. And here, too, in the speech mentioned, he showed a fine appreciation of practical politics when he pointed out how impossible it would be, even if the desire existed, to make a Republic of "this country of British commonwealth nations." Our system of kingship is peculiarly suited to the British temperament—it is, indeed, the backbone of the Empire. As Lord Derby recently declared, it is the Monarchy which keeps our great Dominions together. It is on that foundation that the Empire must be reconstituted, with a common Imperial Council at its head, directing its energies and leading it on from strength to strength. And in that new Imperial Parliament room must be found for men of the stamp of General Smuts—the new blood of the Empire: men who deserve a larger influence at the centre of government than they have ever had in the past.

Annexation and Indemnities.

What is this that we read in the morning's wires about Mr. Snowden's "demand for a British declaration of no annexations and no indemnities"? What are the constituents of "Herr Philip von Snowden" (as Mr. Bottomley delights to dub this patriot) doing, that they refrain from asking him to go and lose himself? And still more, what is the Home Government doing, that it allows a man to retain his liberty after he has had the effrontery to stand up in the House of Commons and "demand" that Britain shall surrender her very obvious rights? Through no fault of his own, but solely for the sake of his country's honour, our King-Emperor was obliged to declare war on Germany. Since that declaration, the Empire has run up the biggest war bill in history. Yet a Member of the British House of Commons is permitted to suggest (we beg our readers pardon—demand) that the Imperial Government shall declare that it wants no indemnities and that it will not annex Hun territory. Who, in Mr. Snowden's estimation, ought to pay the bill for close on three years' fighting? Are we to take it that, if we deliberately throw a brick through his dining-room window, he would come out of his house with outstretched hand and affectionately decline to accept one single cent in indemnity? It is superfluous to remark that the idea of territorial gain has never at any moment entered the minds of our rulers; we have one object, and one only, in doing our share towards the smashing of the Hun. But this hardly alters the fact that someone has to pay for the fun which the Kaiser has been having since August 1914. Does Mr. Snowden, the champion of the people's rights, and the friend of the worker, suggest (or demand) that the British tax-payers shall be strangled for generations to come by this debt? It is Germany's affair, and since she has no money, we have no alternative but to "put the brokers in."

Education after the War. Under the above heading we stated yesterday that, after the war, revised regulations for technical schools will come into force. The Board will make it especially its business to secure the interest of employers and work people in technical instruction, to obtain teachers with trade experience for that instruction, and to develop the higher technical work and research work undertaken in local colleges. If our Government fulfils its promise, and resists the temptation to grow weary in well-doing, the Homeland will become a very different country, within the next few years, from what it was when Hongkongites left it. The British Isles have ever been the home of the unskilled; of men who left school just when they were getting ready to learn something useful, and who have never received instruction in any trade or profession whatever. There are few countries where the number of clerks, unskilled shop-assistants and labourers is larger in proportion to the population—which means that few countries can produce more "unhelpables" among their unemployed. Most people in Hongkong have seen Britishers wander into the Colony "down on their luck," and have found it impossible to offer them any real assistance, sheerly for the reason that the out-of-work had no definite trade or profession; no training that fitted them for special work. What is true here is true at home; and, when the war is over, we shall be faced with the overwhelming fact that thousands of men, who can do nothing better than carry loads or add up figures, are seeking employment—and cannot find it, because machinery and women have undertaken the tasks by the performance of which they formerly earned a pittance. This must never be allowed to occur again. It is the Government's duty to insist that every boy capable of assimilating it shall receive some kind of technical training, so that unemployment may be brought down to a minimum and that the Empire may be enabled to get the best out of its sons.

DAY BY DAY.

AT THIRTY, MAN SUSPECTS HIMSELF A FOOL; KNOWS IT AT FORTY AND REFORMS HIS PLAN.—Young.

To-morrow's Anniversary. To-morrow is the 49th birthday of the deposed Tsar of Russia, H. M. Nicholas II.

The Dollar. The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 4.11/16d.

A Doctor's Loss. Dr. Lim, of the Government Civil Hospital, has reported to the Police that sometime during the past week he has had stolen from a drawer in his quarters a gold watch and chain valued at \$150.

A False Alarm. The report of a fire in Chancery Lane, at about half past eight last evening, was received at the Fire Station. Both engines turned out, but on arriving at the spot, the alarm was found to be a false one.

Two Tons of Iron Stolen. Mr. Tucker, the Head Watchman at the Kowloon Docks, has reported to the Police that during the past month about two tons of pig iron, valued at \$300, have been stolen from the S.S. Honsam, which is lying alongside the Docks.

Optimism Round Her Waist. A woman coming off a sampan at the Leung Wing Wharf was found to have tied round her waist 53 tins of prepared opium. When she was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistracy this morning, she was sentenced to six months' hard labour, and the opium was confiscated.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul. We are asked to remind all the members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul of the extraordinary general meeting which is to take place next Sunday, the 20th inst., at the Conference Hall, Gloucester, at 10.30 a.m. It is especially requested that members should make a point of attending.

Fighting Women. At the Police Court this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, two women were charged with disorderly conduct in Third Street yesterday. Inspector Ryalence (R.) said he saw the woman fighting, with crowds of people round them. As they would not leave off, he arrested them. The first defendant was fined \$2 and the other woman \$5.

War Savings. Arrangements have been made whereby the Union Insurance Society of Canton, as Hoc, Secretaries and Treasurers of the Hongkong and South China War Savings Association, will accept dollar notes of Straits currency and Straits dividend warrants for investment in Straits Settlements War Loan, and credit members with the full value of same. Members need not change their notes of Straits currency or their dividend warrants into Hongkong currency, but can hand them in for investment.

Heavy Bail. A man and a woman were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, with being found in possession of 38 tins of prepared opium. It was stated by Detective Sergeant Murphy that the house was being searched when the women were seen to rush to a top floor window and throw a basket out. When recovered, the basket was found to contain opium. Three tins of opium were also found under a settee in the house. Mr. A. M. Preston appeared to defend, and the case was adjourned, bail being fixed at \$2,000 each.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Orders issued to-day by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, D.S.P. (Reserve), state:—

Rifles and Accessories. All Service rifles must be returned to Armoury at Central Station on either of the two following dates, between 5.15 and 6 p.m.:—Monday, May 21, and Tuesday, May 22.

All members not in possession of cleaning gear for their rifles must draw same on Tuesday, May 22, between 5.15 and 6 p.m. Non-possession after that date will be reported.

COMPANY MEETING.

The China-Borneo Company, Limited.

(VERBATIM.)

The fourteenth yearly meeting of shareholders of the China-Borneo Company, Limited, was held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, this morning, when Mr. A. O. Lang presided. There were also present Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Mr. A. E. Griffin (Consulting Committee), Mr. W. G. Darby (General Manager), Mr. H. W. Kennett (Secretary), and Messrs. A. W. Smith, W. Russell, A. H. M. da Silva, O. Baptista, B. L. Bridger, W. Ford, Jr., J. E. Gomes, and K. Sayce (shareholders).

The Chairman said:—As it is past the time for which the meeting has been called, I will ask Mr. Kennett to read the notice convening the meeting.

The Secretary having read the notice, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report and accounts having been in your hands for some days, I will, with your permission, take them, together with the Auditor's certificate, as read. Owing to the continuance of the war, I regret that we have to again lay before you figures which are far from satisfactory. I can only say that in view of the many difficulties under which the Company's business has been conducted, the results might well have been worse. Shortage of tonnage and high rates of freight have rendered it increasingly difficult for us to bring our timbers to market, and owing to our having been obliged to reduce the output, the cost of production has necessarily increased.

Further, in the accounts under review, we have had to make provision for a sum of approximately \$53,000, or nearly 10 per cent. of the capital of the Company, in order to adjust the balances due by our London and Borneo Offices to the rates of exchange ruling here at the end of the year. These balances are represented by cash, accounts in course of collection, and stocks of material which we hold in Borneo and London in the ordinary course of our business.

My predecessor last year drew your attention to a Fund which we had created to provide for such fluctuations, but, owing to the phenomenal rise in exchange, it has proved insufficient, and we have had to encroach on our Profit and Loss Account to the extent of some \$35,000 in order to provide the balance required.

Under the unfavourable conditions which have prevailed, I can assure you that great care and economy have been exercised in conducting the Company's business, and I may point out that our office expenses have been again reduced by more than \$10,000, while our stocks of material show a reduction of over \$40,000.

Shareholders will have noticed that the accounts show an unusually large amount of cash in hand, and since the end of the year our position in this respect has further improved.

As we have stopped all capital outlay in Borneo till after the conclusion of the war, we have no immediate need of any large cash balance, and we have accordingly invested \$36,000—or approximately 10,000—in Straits War Loan 6 per cent. Bonds, and I have no doubt that our action in this respect will have the full approval of shareholders.

I much regret that we are unable to recommend the payment of a larger dividend, but, in view of the difficulties of tonnage which are likely to increase the larger the war lasts, we consider it essential to keep our financial position as strong as possible.

Under the circumstances, shareholders will scarcely expect me to hold out any very favourable prospects for the present year, or as long as the war lasts, but after peace is declared we have good reason to hope that prosperous times may be in store for the Company.

Now I beg to propose that the report and accounts as presented be adopted, and after this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any question which shareholders may have to ask.

THE YARN MARKET.

Entire Stoppage of Business Feared.

Messrs. Polihwalla and Kotwall report as follows under date of May 17:—

Since our last report on the 5th inst. the interval has passed without any efficient feature in our yarn market. The absolute inability of the sellers to cover exchange rupees for the sales of yarn in their hands, owing to the abnormal attitude taken by the local Banks in refusing to offer any reasonable rate of exchange on India, has made business almost impossible and as the Banks seem determined to decline giving suitable rates of exchange, we think there will be an entire stoppage of business in the near future, and not likely to revive until the exchange conditions improve. The sales during the fortnight are 2,503 bales, with an increase of \$5 to \$8 per bale.

Arrivals.—The mail steamer Delvara from Bombay brought in 2,500 bales for Hongkong & 6,000 bales for Shanghai; shipments from Hongkong to Shanghai and coast ports amount to about 400 bales.

Shanghai.—The market has remained firm and in the beginning of the interval business passed in about 3,000 bales at advanced rates, but the sellers there are experiencing the same difficulty in covering exchange; hence the latter part of the fortnight has been very quiet.

Japanese Yarns.—Owing to scanty arrivals and sudden enormous rise in the rates of yarn in Japan, sellers are unable, in some cases, to cover their previous sales, which were effected at low rates. Quotations are as follows:—Nagasaki No. 20s, \$198; 3 Horses No. 16s, \$181; 3 Horses No. 20s, \$193; 550 bales Yellow Joss No. 20s, \$182/191; 50 bales Satser No. 10s, \$153; Satser No. 20s, \$199; Blue Fish No. 20s, \$119.

Raw Cotton.—The present quotations are as under:—Bengal at \$27 to \$32; Chinese at \$32 to \$27 per picul.

Mr. Smith:—I have very much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts, and can only say that we feel sure that, once the war is finished, there will be a return to pre-war dividends.

The Chairman:—There being no questions, I will now put the resolution which has been proposed by myself and seconded by Mr. Smith. All those in favour? Carried unanimously. The next business is the confirmation of Mr. A. O. Lang's appointment on the Consulting Committee.

Mr. Silva:—I beg to propose that Mr. A. O. Lang's appointment to the Consulting Committee be confirmed.

Mr. Baptista:—I beg to second that.

The Chairman:—It has been proposed by Mr. Silva and seconded by Mr. Baptista that Mr. A. O. Lang's appointment to the Consulting Committee be confirmed. All those in favour? Carried unanimously. The next business is the re-election of Mr. A. E. Griffin as Director.

Mr. Sayce:—I beg to propose that Mr. A. E. Griffin be re-elected on the Consulting Committee.

Mr. Kennett:—I beg to second.

The Chairman:—It has been proposed by Mr. Sayce and seconded by Mr. Kennett that Mr. Griffin be re-elected on the Consulting Committee. Those in favour? Against? Carried unanimously. The next business is the election of auditor.

Mr. Griffin:—I beg to propose the re-election of Mr. Bernard Brown as auditor for the ensuing year at the remuneration of \$260 per annum.

Mr. Bridger:—I beg to second that.

The Chairman:—It has been proposed by Mr. Griffin and seconded by Mr. Bridger that Mr. Bernard Brown be re-elected auditor for the ensuing year at a remuneration of \$250 per annum. Those in favour? Against? Carried unanimously. That us all the business, gentlemen; thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants are now ready and may be had on application to-morrow.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Lord Somerset, who is to be the chairman of Lord Devonport's Sugar Distribution Committee, is much better known in the country as Sir Savile Crossely, the former Unionist member for North Suffolk, and chairman of the Liberal Unionist Council under Mr. Chamberlain until the amalgamation. He served in South Africa with the Imperial Yeomanry, and was mentioned in despatches. He is in his 60th year.

I am not sure, says a Daily News correspondent, that modern publishers have not something to learn from their predecessors in the selection of "Press opinions" for inclusion in their advertisement columns. I have just had occasion to turn up some fifty-year-old announcements of Swinburne's "Songs and Ballads." Among them is this, from an American paper:—"Any father who finds it in his household should at once consign it to flames."—"Albany Journal." For sale by Newcomb and Co., Broadway. Newcomb and Co. manifestly knew their business.

The Outlook is nothing if not outspoken.—The feeble beginning made by the National Service Department has come in for rough treatment, which might be extended to every other Department if the same light could be thrown on the shortcomings of officialdom. Wherever red-tape is supreme there is bound to be muddle-headedness. The same spirit broods over our system of military training. An instance in point has been brought to our notice. A recruit trained, say, as a signaller in the Eastern Division will receive his certificate of efficiency. He may then be drafted to the Southern Division. The lay mind would assume that his certificate would be accepted as a sufficient qualification in his new environment. Not so, apparently, for he is put through his training all over again until he is judged eligible for another certificate. How many times this process might be continued we are unable to say, but it seems on the face of it to be an unintelligible waste of time.

In 1883, every trace of organic life in the island of Krakatoa in the Indian Ocean was destroyed by a volcanic eruption which buried it under a thick covering of glowing stones. Yet a quarter of a century later it was again covered with vegetation which was even luxuriant. A careful investigation demonstrated that this had been brought about by the combined action of wind, birds, and sea currents. This is a conclusive proof of the efficiency of these agents in plant dispersal; but it also showed that they were effective only for relatively moderate distances. Beyond a few shore plants, they could not account for the features common to the flora of the Old and New Worlds.

Should the United States decide to send an army to France to fight side by side with the Allies, it will be first time their soldiers have been engaged on European soil. Nearly all the wars of the United States have been waged in the New World, although in 1801 they did send a small force to fight in Tripoli, while in 1900 a detachment of 7,000 accompanied us on the expedition to relieve the Chinese Legations at Peking.

You've come to the end of a "restless day," And your appetite still goes strong? You've had plenty to eat, and digested it well, Yet somehow the world seems wrong? Then remember the Boche and his foodless day, And his wind-bell wait in the queue, For to-morrow—whatever you have to pay—You will get your grilled steak or stew.—Daily News.

CIGARETTE AND TOBACCO FUND.

Latest of Subscriptions.

The following is the subscription list to date:—

Acknowledged to 13th April, 1917	\$20,181.40
Since received:—	
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Mr. S. S. (May Sub.)	5
Mr. Perry	12
Mr. F. G. Becke, Whampoa, Canton, Sab. for April	20
Lusitano Recreation Club, Comm. on Cash Sweeps and sale of Programmes at Sports	56.50
Anonymous	50
Per Sec. Marine Engineers Guild	11
Raz. Dazle	5
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F. T. K.	5
Lot. from raid on coolies gambling. Collected by Mrs. Arthur, List No. 6:—	95
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A.E.C.	20
Duchess of Hamilton	15
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Expended to April 13, 1917	\$19,942.08
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200,000 cigarettes sent to the troops at the front	642.93
	\$20,585.01
Balance in hand	\$ 259.34

Following the precedent established by the National Sporting Club, the Ring, the Liverpool Stadium, etc., the gloves to be used for the main event at to-morrow night's boxing entertainment will be sold by auction for the benefit of the Cigarette and Tobacco Fund. The thanks of the Committee are due to the Hongkong Police Reserve for their very thoughtful action.

W.A. DOWLEY.

Hon. Sec. & Treas. Hongkong April 18th, 1917.

Acknowledgements.

Lieut. Colonel F. O. Nisbet, Commanding 5th D.O.L.I. Saloon Force, 2nd March, 1917.—The case of cigarettes so kindly sent us from the Cigarette and Tobacco Fund arrived safely last week, whilst we were in the trenches, and was at once distributed through the Battalion. I wish to thank you and your friends very heartily both on my own and the men's behalf for your welcome present, and the kindly thought

VOLUNTEER RESERVE ORDERS.

Order No. 30, issued to-day by Major Wakeman, Commanding H.K.V.R., states:—

Detail.

On duty from the morning of Sunday, the 20th May, to the morning of Sunday, the 27th May, "B" Coy. H.K.V.R.

Orderly Officer, Lieut. B. B. Bratton.

Next for duty, H.K.V.O.

Parades.

Monday, 21st instant:—Signalling Section: "A" and "B" Companies at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.15 p.m. Dress: Clean Fatigue. Machine Gun Section at Wellington Barracks at 5.15 p.m. Dress: Clean Fatigue. Recruits on the Cricket Ground at 5.15 p.m. under Instructor Sergt. Oxberry. Dress: Drill Order.

Tuesday, 22nd instant:—Mounted Section at Jockey Club Stables at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Drill Order. "A" and "B" Coys. on the road outside the Orderly Room at 5.15 p.m. Knowledge and Talk Sections on the Polo Ground at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Drill Order.

Wednesday, 23rd instant:—Recruits on the Cricket Ground at 5.15 p.m. under Instructor Sergt. Oxberry. Dress: Drill Order.

Thursday, 24th instant, nil.

Friday, 25th instant:—Signalling Section: "A" and "B" Companies at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.15 p.m. Dress: Clean Fatigue. Machine Gun Section at Wellington Barracks at 5.15 p.m. Dress: Clean Fatigue.

Mounted Section at Jockey Club Stables at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Drill Order. "A" and "B" Coys. and recruits under Cor. Sergt. Majors on the road outside the Orderly Room at 5.30 p.m. All Officers and N.C.O.s will attend a lecture to be given by Capt. G. E. Stewart, Adjutant, H.K.V.C., on Firing Instruction at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

Strength.

Saturday, 26th instant, nil.

Sat. E. J. T. Warren having joined is allotted Corps No. 656 and posted to Coy. "A" Platoon No. 1 Sec. 4.

No. 51 Pte. A. Watson is permitted to resign on leaving the Colony.

Transfer.

No. 293 Pte. A. Ferguson is transferred to "D" Coy.

that prompted it. The cigarettes are immensely appreciated by all the men; in these days of submarine they are difficult to procure out here, especially as we are 40 miles from the nearest shop. Things are going well out here, and brother Bulgaz is showing distinct signs of discouragement. Once more thanking you.

Major K. A. Brown, P. R. L. 10th Dons. 28th February, 1917.—The cigarettes, despatched on your behalf by the British American Tobacco Co., on November 28th, have just arrived and have been distributed among the men of the Battalion. The gift is very much appreciated, as I need not say, both for its own sake and because of the thought for the men which prompted the sending of it, and on the men's behalf I wish to thank you and the subscribers to your Fund very heartily.

Lieut. Cpl. B. Baker, S. B. 4th K.R.R.C. Saloon Field Force, Salonic, 1st February, 1917.—Just a line to thank you on behalf of our stretcher bearers for your kindness in sending us the cigarettes, which we were all very pleased with. It is nice to know we are not forgotten, and to receive such gifts from kind friends in Hongkong, whom we have never seen. The cigarettes were distributed in Salonic. All goes well out here and we are certain that victory is ours, and peace not far off. All now, trusting you are well, with my best respects and good wishes.

Cpl. Downie and Cpl. McKay, No. 3 Platoon, A Coy, 1st Cameron, Highrs 6th, February, 1917.—I have to thank you on behalf of men belonging to the above platoon for your gift of "Woodbine." At present we are enjoying them, and we all hope to give you another sight of the "Cameron Tartan" in the Happy Valley of Hongkong. Is Whampoa Sam still there?

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In these days, when motoring is becoming increasingly popular, it is interesting to note the wonderful improvements being made in the construction of automobiles. In this direction, attention may be called to the activities of the General Motors Corporation, the manufacturers of the famous Buick cars, which is said to be the largest concern manufacturing high-grade motors in existence. It has a capital of no less than 100 million gold dollars. The majority of the cars purchased for ambulance work at the front by the British Red Cross and St. John Ambulance Brigade are Valve-in-Head Buicks. The Valve-in-Head is the only type of engine which has been found suitable by racing experts and aviators for the strenuous work they have to perform. For power, efficiency, reliability and flexibility, the Buick car is renowned all over the world, as also is it for its wonderful hill-climbing qualities and its powerful brakes. The Royal Automobile Club of London, it is interesting to observe, has approved of the Buick for use at the front.

There is a prevalent idea that all motors are substantially alike, and that they differ only in detail. It should be explained, however, that there is a fundamental difference between the Buick and other cars, and that that difference is due to the Buick Valve-in-Head motor. This is different in appearance, because the valves through which gas enters and leaves the cylinders are in the tops, or heads, of the cylinder, whereas in other types of motors these valves are placed in pockets at the side of the cylinder. There are two advantages arising from this arrangement. First, the Buick Valve-in-Head motor conserves and uses a larger percentage of the power contained in gasoline than any other motor. Secondly, because of its peculiar construction, the dead gases resulting from each explosion in the Buick cylinders are more completely expelled than in any other type of motor, thus preventing the next incoming rush being weakened through mixture with remaining portions of these dead gases, consequently increasing the power of each explosion. In the Buick, more heat goes against the piston and less into the water than in other motors, and this in turn means more power for the rear wheels. This Valve-in-Head arrangement is rightly described as the greatest and most important principle in the whole field of motor car operation.

Much could be written as to the construction of Buick cars, and it may be added that they are designed and built to behave best under extremes of service. They are light in weight and economical both in first cost and subsequent upkeep, for those who want long and uninterrupted service from their automobile investment. They have the maximum of that in-built service demanded by motorists whose first thought is utility when they go to buy a motor car. The local agency for Buick cars is held by the Exile Garage, 33 and 35, Des Vœux Road, where the many advantages of the Buick can be fully explained to intending purchasers.

A LABEL ACTION.

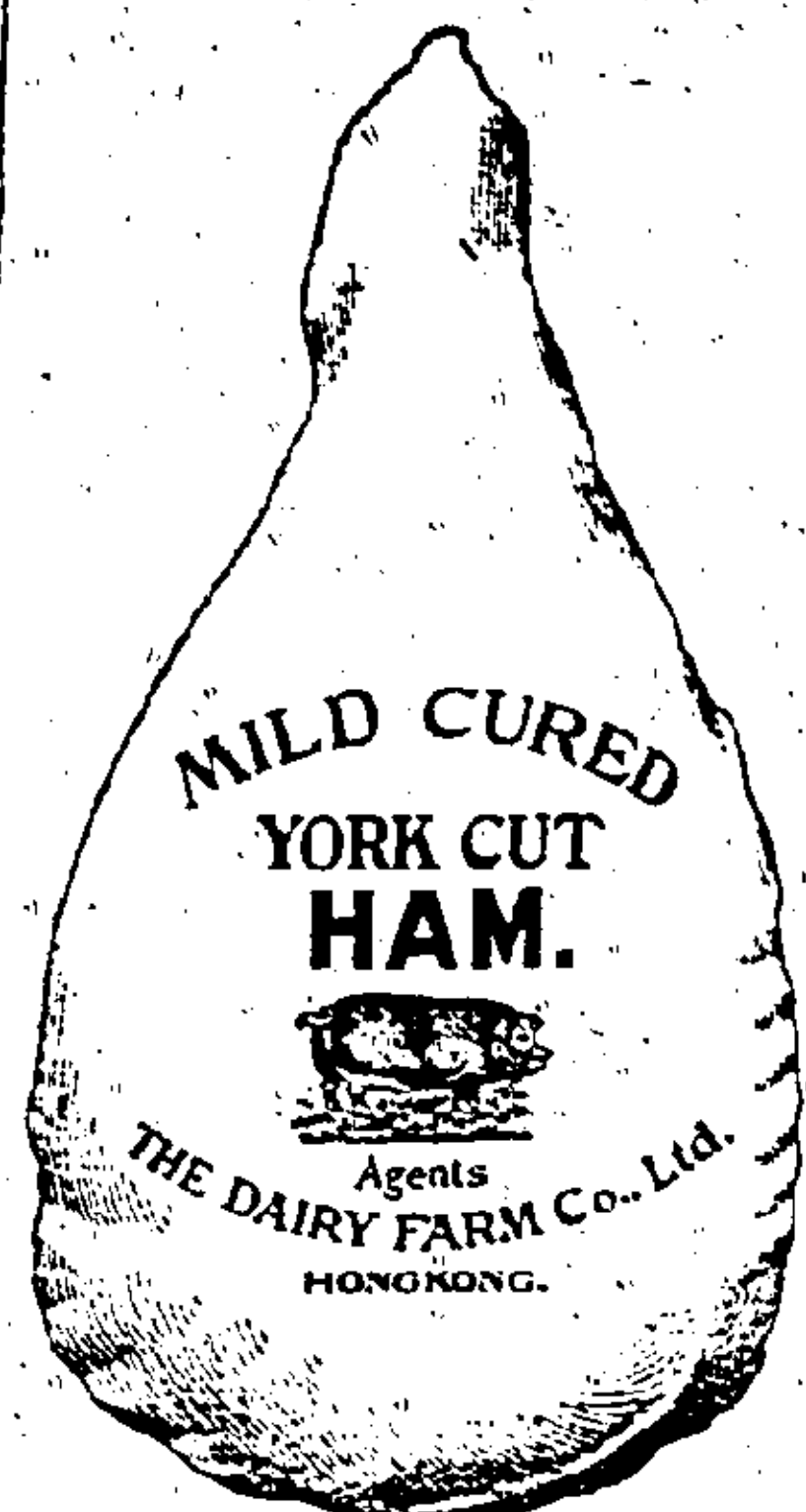
Captain De la Sala Sued.

The case was mentioned at the Summary Court this morning in which Walter J. Stokes, late Chief Engineer of the Phenixpen, in suing Capt. R. M. D. de la Sala, of the same vessel, for \$1,000.

Mr. Griest mentioned that he was now appearing for plaintiff and Mr. Mattingly for the defence. It was also stated that Mr. Sharp would appear for the defendant and Mr. Pollock for the plaintiff.

His Lordship asked what the action was, and Mr. Mattingly replied that it was a claim for libel. The hearing was adjourned for a fortnight.

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VICTORIA CROSS HOAX.

Victim Acquitted by Court-Martial.

A verdict of not guilty was given by the Dorsetshire Court-martial on Driver W. R. Campbell, Australian Forces, who was charged with wearing the chevrons of a sergeant and the riband of the Victoria Cross, knowing he was not entitled to them.

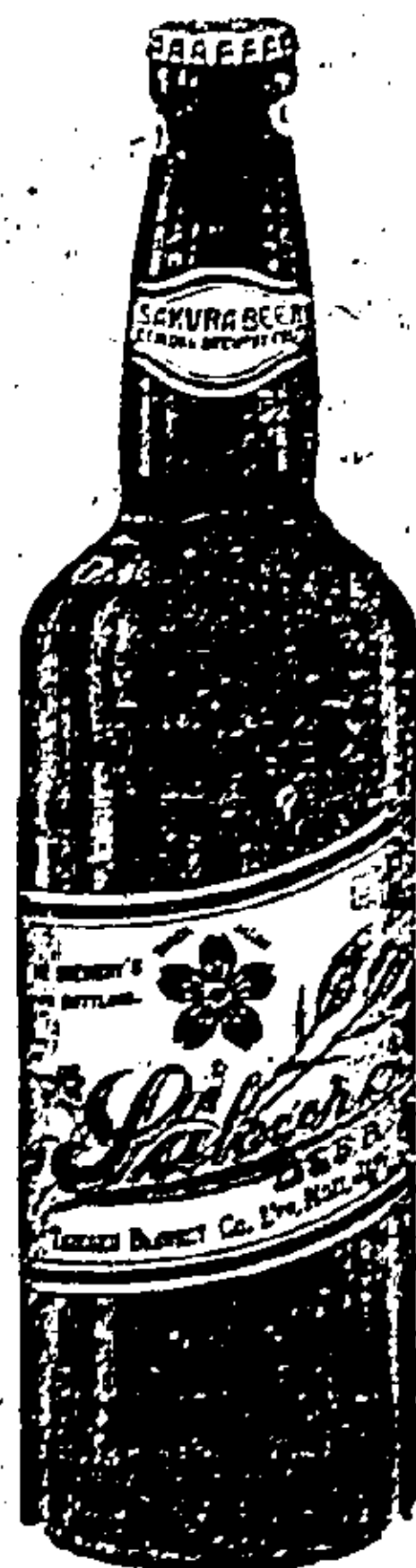
The verdict was received with cheering in court. Hundreds of his comrades assembled outside, and when Campbell left after being acquitted he was carried away shoulder high.

One of the witnesses for the defence was a real V.C. hero, Private Leake, who said he first saw Campbell wearing the riband towards the end of December, when he and Campbell were entertained by the Mayors of Wareham. He always believed Campbell was a genuine "V.C." The first official intimation which the witness received of his own award was in a typewritten letter from the Australian Headquarters in London. (Campbell gave the same account with reference to his supposed award, and called witnesses who deposed to having seen such a letter.)

Evidence was given of Campbell's unblemished character. His solicitor asked for the production of certain correspondence, to show that those in authority believed Campbell to have been hoaxed.

Campbell, recalled, said he had enemies who would not be above playing him a practical joke, and who were in a position to obtain the notepaper used at the Australian headquarters.

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Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before NOON TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 24th May, 1917, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour on Tuesday & Friday. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

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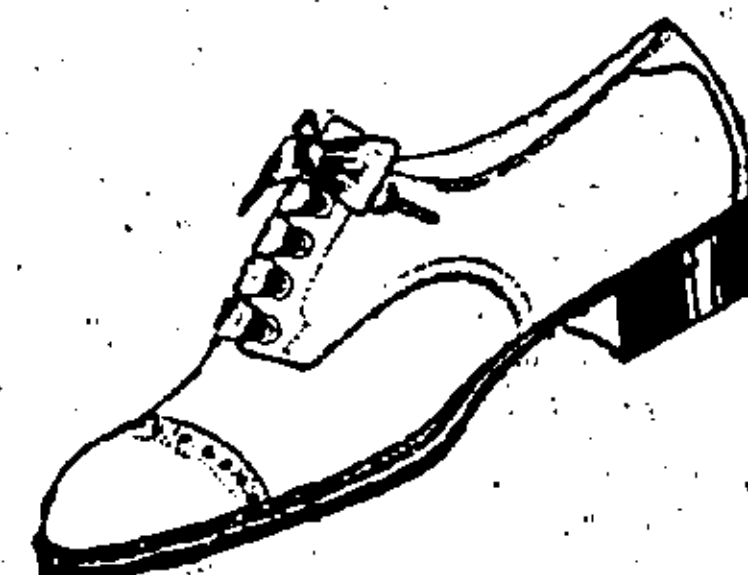
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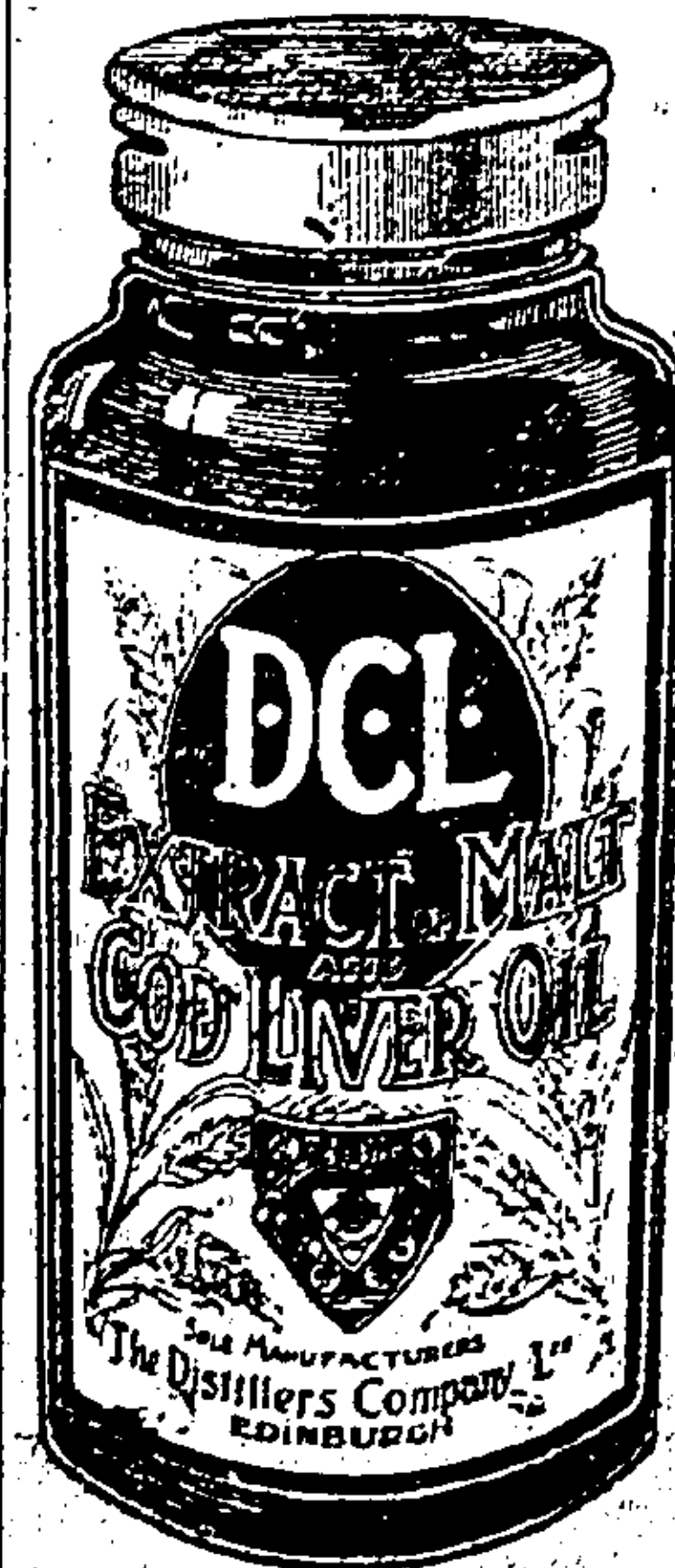
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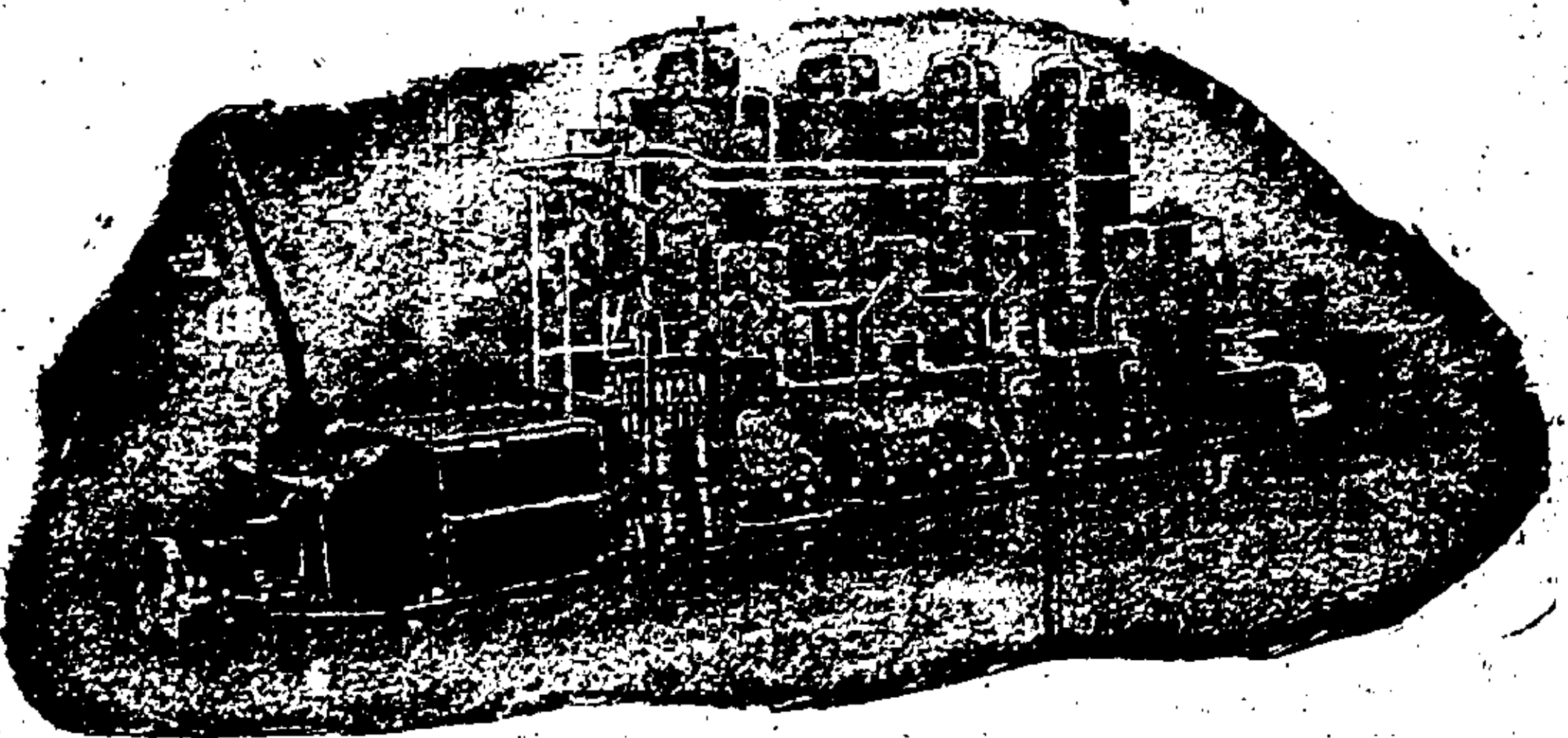
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by public auction at 12 o'clock
(NOON) on **TUESDAY the 31st
day of July, 1917**, at his sales
rooms, Duddell Street.

THE VALUABLE LEASE-
HOLD PROPERTY situate at
The Peak, Hongkong, and being
Rural Building Lot No. 19.

In One Lot.

The property consists of:—
The piece or parcel of ground
and premises known as
"Lysholt," 104 The Peak, situated
near Mount Gough in the Colony
of Hongkong with an area of
1,403 square feet and registered
in the Land Office as Rural
Building Lot No. 19.

As it is held for the un-
expired residue of a term of 75
years, created therein by an
indenture of Crown Lease dated
the 21st day of April, 1896.

The Annual Crown Rent is
\$85.00.

The further particulars and
conditions of sale apply to
Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist,
Solicitors for the Liquidators or
to the undersigned.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

FOR SALE.

MOTOR CARS, MOTOR CARS

1917 Overland Touring Cars,

6 Cylinder, 7 Seater.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,

Duddell Street,

Hongkong, 18th February, 1917.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG & SOUTH
CHINA WAR SAVINGS
ASSOCIATION.

APPLICATION forms for
Membership of the above
Association may be obtained
from all the Banks or from the
undersigned.

THE UNION INSURANCE
SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.,
Honorary Secretaries &
Treasurers.

Hongkong, 15th January, 1917.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

By direction of the Government
of Hongkong Messrs. HUGHES
& HOUGH have received in-
structions to sell by Public
Auction,

ON

MONDAY

the 13th day of August, 1917,

at 3 p.m., at their Sales Room,
Ice House Street, Victoria,
Hongkong.

The Following Valuable Lease-
hold Property situate at Victoria
Hongkong viz:—
ALL THOSE pieces or parcels
of ground situate at Victoria
aforesaid and known and regis-
tered in the Land Office as
SECTION A OF MARINE LOT
NO. 101 and SECTION B OF
MARINE LOT NO. 101. To-
gether with the messuages, erec-
tions and buildings thereon
known as No. 7 Queen's Road
Central, Victoria aforesaid—
Term 999 years created by a
Crown Lease dated the 8th day
of April, 1856.

Area in respect of Section A of
Marine Lot No. 101—5445 Sq. ft.
Proportion of Annual Crown
Rent \$84.45.

Area in respect of Section B of
Marine Lot No. 101—675 Sq. ft.
Proportion of Annual Crown
Rent \$6.75.

For further particulars and
conditions of sale apply to
**JOHNSON STOKES &
MASTER,**

Princes' Buildings,
Ice House Street, Hongkong.
Solicitors for the Liquidators of
THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE
BANK,

or to
Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH,
The Auctioneers,
Hongkong, 9th May, 1917.

NOTICES.

G. R.

Any European, Non-Asiatic or
Indian desiring to leave the
Colony should apply in person
at the Central Police Station
between the hours of 9 a.m. to
1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily.
Applicants will be required to
produce Passports or identifica-
tion papers.

All persons with certain excep-
tions who remain in the
Colony for more than 7 days are
required to Register themselves
under the REGISTRATION OF
PERSONS ORDINANCE 1916.
Forms of Registration giving the
particulars required may be
obtained at the G. P. O. and at
all Police Stations.

The Penalty for non-com-
pliance is a fine not exceeding
\$50.

MAN LOONG.

FIRST-CLASS PRESERVES, GINGER
AND SOY MANUFACTURERS.
Factory at Yauwatt.

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We are the leading Manufacturers
of this class of Goods. Our Fruit &
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quality. Our Syrup is prepared from
the best quality of Sugar. We give our
attention to the business and sanitary
arrangements.

NOTICES.

G. R.

PARTICULARS AND CONDI-
TIONS of the letting by Public
Auction Sale, to be held on Mon-
day, the 21st day of May,
1917, at 3 p.m., at the Offices
of the Public Works Department,
by Order of His Excellency the
Governor, of One Lot of Crown
Land above Bowen Road in
the Colony of Hongkong for a
term of 75 years, with the option
of renewal at a Crown Rent to be
fixed by the Surveyor of His
Majesty the King, for one further
term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Boundary Measurements (Approximate)	Contents in Square Feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
Lot 101, Section A, Marine Lot No. 101	5445	\$84.45	
Lot 101, Section B, Marine Lot No. 101	675	\$6.75	

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DAI NIPPON BREWERY COMPANY LIMITED
Sole Agents
Mitsui Bussan Kaisha
Telephone 5074, 5075, 5076

POST OFFICE.

IMPORT PROHIBITIONS.

The public are informed that the un-
derrated articles are prohibited
from importation into the United King-
dom, either by letter post or by parcel
post.

Gold manufactured or unmanufactured,
including gold coin and articles con-
taining gold; All manu-
factures of Silver other than silver
watches and silver watch cases; Jewe-
lry of any description.

Letters and Parcels containing such
articles cannot therefore be accepted for
transmission by the Post Office.

FRENCH PARCEL REGULATIONS.

The Public are informed that the new
regulations adopted by the French
Customs in regard to parcels
addressed to France, Corsica and Algeria
must be in the columns of the regular
Customs Declaration particularly and
exactly, omitting none of the headings
comprised therein.

It is furthermore absolutely necessary
to show in the aforesaid declaration (1)
The full name and address of the addressee
(2) A statement as to whether the contents
are intended for State supplies or not.

Particulars of outgoing and incoming
Mails will not be advertised in future.
The Post Office will forward all corre-
spondence posted by the fastest routes.

Correspondence addressed to enemy
subjects in China, Siam, Siberia and
Portuguese East Africa, Persia and Mor-
occo cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bul-
garia and the Ottoman Empire are
suspended.

Uninsured parcels for the United
Kingdom will in future be forwarded
from Hongkong via Siberia and the Public
are therefore advised to pack such parcels
very carefully.

Telegraphic advice has been received
from London that the mails despatched
from Hongkong via Siberia to London on
March 13th 1917 and to London Forward
on March 15th and 16th 1917 are pre-
sumed lost.

LOCAL AND REGULAR MAILS
OUTWARD.

Tai O.—Week days, 5 p.m.
Tai Po.—Week days, 10 a.m.; Sundays,
9.30 a.m.
Cheung Chow.—Week days, 2 p.m.
Shatin, Shatin and Shing Mun.—
Week days, 4 p.m.
Aberdeen, Au Tau, Ping Shan, Sai Kung,
Santo and Stanley.—Week days, 4.30 p.m.
Canton, Samshui and Wuchow.—Week
days, 7.30 a.m.; Registration 5 p.m.; Let-
ters 6 p.m.; Sundays, 5 p.m.
Macao.—Week days, 7.15 a.m.; 1.30 p.m.;
Sundays, 9 a.m.
Kongmoon.—Week days, 6 p.m. Except
Saturdays; Sundays, 5 p.m.
Mantau and Semmer.—Week days,
5 p.m.; Sundays, 5 p.m.
Shamshui.—Week days, 10 a.m.; 4 p.m.;
Sundays, 9 a.m.

FROM SHEUNGWAN WESTERN
BRANCH P.O.

Macao.—Week days, 7.30 a.m.; 1.30 p.m.;
Sundays, 9.30 a.m.; Holidays, 7.30 a.m.,
1.30 p.m.
Canton.—Week days, 7.30 a.m.; 9.30 p.m.;
Sundays, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 7.30 a.m.,
9.30 p.m.
Tel Pitz Tung.—Week days, 9.30 p.m.;
Sundays, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 9.30 p.m.
Shak Hei.—Week days, 9.30 p.m.; Sun-
days, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 9.30 p.m.
Kongmoon.—Week days, 6 p.m.; Sun-
days, 6 p.m.; Holidays, 6 p.m.
Kumchuk.—Week days, 6 p.m.; Sun-
days, 6 p.m.; Holidays, 6 p.m.
Shing Mun.—Week days, 6 p.m. Except
Sundays; Sundays, 6 p.m.; Holidays,
6 p.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Vondal, Dut. ss. 5836 J. Verdoorn, 17th
May—Batavia, 8th May, Gen-
J. C. J. L.
Tjibodas, Dut. ss. 3353, B. Hoorn,
17th May—Batavia, 12th May, Gen-
J. C. J. L.
Araker, Dut. ss. 5104, S. van Koniell,
17th May—Batavia, 9th May, Gen-
J. C. J. L.
Jinner, M. Jap. ss. 270, Magaya, 17th
May—Mojil, 12th May, Gen-
J. C. J. L.
Lianchow, Br. ss. 122, G. Hooker,
17th May—Bangkok and Swatow,
16th May, B. Co. B. & S.
Elgar, Nor. ss. 875, Petersen, 17th
May—Batavia, 13th May, Rice
T. & Co.
Promethee, Nor. ss. 106, H. Jensen,
17th May—Bangkok, 12th May,
T. & Co.
Miyo, M. Jap. ss. 883, Faki, 17th
May—Batavia, 10th May, Beans and
Oil—Chinese.
Otau, M. No. 2 Jap. ss. 1973, Oshio,
17th May—Milne, 10th May, Coal—
M. B. K.
Homonan, M. Jap. 1971, S. Swatow,
17th May—Mojil, 12th May, Coal—
M. B. K.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 18th at 11.40—No returns from
Japan. Forecast has increased slightly
in all other districts.

The trough over the China Sea has
filled up.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.44 inch.
Total since January 1st, 1533 inches,
against an average of 1733 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS
ENDING AT 10 A.M. TO-MORROW

District	Forecast
1 Hongkong to Gap Rock	E. winds; moderate; cloudy.
2 Formosa Channel	N.E. winds; fresh.
3 South coast of China bet- tween H.K. and Lamoo	The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China bet- tween H.K. and Hainan	The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register,
May 18, a.m.

Formosa Channel	-----	} N.E.winds, fresh.
South coast of China be- tween H.K. and Lamooks	-----	
South coast of China be- tween H.K. and Hainan	-----	} The same as No. 1.
China Coast Meteorological Register.		
May 13, a.m.		